

REMARKS

The use of brackets has been substituted for strike-throughs in the claims designated in the above-identified Notice. In this regard, Applicant respectfully submits that 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(2) merely makes permissible to use brackets instead of strike-throughs. Brackets are only mandatory “if strike-throughs cannot be easily perceived”, which was not the case in this Amendment wherein each designated strike-through was apparently easily perceived.

In any event, in the above-identified Office Action the claims were again rejected as being anticipated by the cited Hiroki patent disclosure. By this response, however, independent Claims 8 and 9 have been amended so that the invention may now be characterized as having first and second transfer switches for connecting a (certain one) signal line.

The Office Action asserts that the second transfer switch of the present invention corresponds to TFT of the Hiroki patent. In this regard, a switch in a sampling and buffer circuit 130 connected to a signal line (1) is connected to a first analog video signal (line) 129, but TFT is not connected to a second analog video signal (line) 130. Accordingly, TFT of the Hiroki disclosure is in no way analogous to the second transfer switch in the present invention, so that it is believed that the Hiroki patent is deficient as a rejecting reference.

For these various reasons it is believed that all of the claims as now presented are allowable, wherefore the issuance of a Notice of Allowance is solicited.

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